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Mr. STONECASTLE,

THE Subject of *Love*, tho' it has been so often treated on, affords such a Variety, that, from new Incidents, it still appears new. There may be some young *Witwou'ds* and *old Batchelors*, who may take upon them to ridicule all lawful and honourable *Love*; and *Marriage*, which crowns it; yet I will venture to affirm, there is hardly any Person lives a long Life without desiring, at some Part of it, to enter into that State; for it is, like Religion, implanted in our Natures; and all Men have a Notion it is the way to Happiness, though all don't practise it: The Reasons of this Decay of Practice are many. Besides, the Degeneracy of Human Nature, the Imperfections of both Sexes make them afraid of so close an Affinity; the Want of *Constancy* in the *Male Sex*, and above all, the *Love* of *Money* in *both*, is the greatest Scandal and Hinderance to this honourable State of Life.

I cannot excuse either Sex (tho' by this Time, both from my Subject and manner of treating it, you guess me of the *Weakest*) I cannot, I say, excuse either from the last Vice, the *Love* of *Money*; and I might add to it Ambition; for it seems to me to be grown the absolute Rule of Marriage, there being few Alliances now contracted, but where this is the chief Motive on the *Man's* Side, and almost so on the *Woman's*: No Wonder the Ladies have caught this Vice; for when a Woman finds herself slighted for no other Want, but that of a large Fortune, she must needs think it worth purchasing at any Rate, and neglect all other *Merit* as useless.

I do not affirm that *Virtue* and *Merit*, in our Sex, is to be met with in all Places and all Families; but the *Love* of Money is every where. However, I am sure my Sex, in general, have deserving Qualities, abstracted from their Fortunes, and as sure I am, that the Men have Judgment to discern them.——But, says your Sex, is Money then to be despis'd? Must the contrary be sought? Has the Lady less *Merit* for having a good Fortune?—not always, but too often; nay, nothing can hinder it but natural Good Sense and Temper, join'd to great Care taken in the Education, without these, a superior Fortune makes a worse Woman, consequently a worse Wife.

All these Reflections, Mr. *Stonecastle*, flow from a melancholy Disappointment, which a young Lady, for whom I had the greatest Friendship, lately met with: Her Story relates to the Subject, which take in as short a Manner as I can relate it.

Cynthia, in the Prime of Beauty, with all the Accomplishments that could adorn her Sex, was address'd by *Florio*, who was an intimate Acquaintance of her Brother and Father. *Florio* was a young Gentleman of a considerable Fortune; had good Sense, and a certain Agreeableness of Behaviour, which conceal'd some Defects in his Temper: *Cynthia* had Penetration enough to find out in his Disposition some natural Infirmities, but thought his better Qualities would atone for them. One part of his Temper may seem very peculiar for a young Gentleman, a *Love* for *Money*, which he shew'd by *Jobbing* in the *Stocks*, enquiring after *Mortgages*, and lending out Money to *Usury*. *Cynthia's* Fortune was small, in Comparison to his, but she was a Gentlewoman of as good a Family, and in every Respect his Equal, but Fortune. Acquainted with *Florio's* Temper, the prudent *Cynthia*, on his addressing her, laid these Circumstances before him; and she, herself, made an Objection, that she had not a Fortune equal to his:——With the greatest Raptures would *Florio*, at such Times, catch her by the Hand, and with the utmost Earnestness say,——*My Dearest* Cynthia, *I am not suing for* Wealth, *but* Happiness. *My own Fortune is sufficient for that, with the Pleasure of having you participate it with me; I think of* Nothing, *I desire* Nothing, *but your* Love.——Thus would he often and often exclaim, 'till it would have been ungenerous in *Cynthia* not to have believ'd him; and she fancy'd she could so behave, after Marriage, that he would never repent that he had married a Woman with an unequal Fortune. She resolv'd to suit herself to his Humour, and thought she could please and make him happy, not out of Vanity, but Inclination to do so. She intended not to have had great Obligations, even to the Man she lov'd, and therefore intended, by her frugal Œconomy to have sav'd equal to the Fortune she should have brought.——This *Prudence* and *Affection* on her Side, with *Wealth* and *Love* on his, must have made them one of the happiest Pair living.—— *Cynthia's* Father and Brother had been consulted by *Florio*, and had, with great Expressions of Joy, at such an Alliance, given their Consent to it.—— Every thing was look'd on as fix'd, and nothing remain'd but *Florio's* appointing the Time for his Nuptials; when (Oh Inconstancy of Man!) *Florio* never intended to celebrate them.—— Without shewing the least Abatement of his Passion, he left her one Evening, and as he parted, said, he would send a Billet next Morning that would surprise her; she answer'd with some Gaiety, and withdrew. Next Morning a Letter came, and she, with a Joy she always felt on receiving a Letter from him, broke it open:——But what must be her Astonishment when she read this!

To CYNTHIA.

'MADAM,

'I Said last Night, that I should send a Billet, that 'would surprize you: I believe this will, when it 'informs you, it is the last I shall ever write to you; 'nor do I know that I shall ever see you again. 'Things had like to have gone too far. On deliberate Consideration, I have strong Reasons not to 'marry you. This is an abrupt way of telling you so, 'but I could in no other. I wish you well, CYNTHY, 'and a better Husband, than

'FLORIO.

'*P. S.* You need not send any Answer for an Explanation; for I am gone out of Town, and am, at 'least, ten Miles off when you read this.

Amaz'd, confounded and bewilder'd in Thought did poor *Cynthia* read over and over the Letter! now thinking it some Frolick of *Florio's*, to make Trial of her Temper; now suspecting it to be true: Then *Resentment* took place, then *Sorrow*; both which strug her into a Passion of Tears.——In this Agitation her Brother enter'd the Room, and caught her in his Arms just as she was falling from her Chair in a Swoon. On her Recovery she inform'd him of the Cause, and shew'd him the Letter: He was surpris'd at it, and could not believe *Florio* was in Earnest; and went directly to his Lodgings, to know the Truth of it. It was too true, *Florio*, and all his Servants, were gone that Morning at Five o'Clock. He return'd and acquainted his Father of the whole Affair, who immediately went into *Cynthia's* Chamber, and found her in her Maid's Arms in another Swoon. When she had recover'd her Senses, her Father comforted her with a most proper Discourse, and bid her rather be glad she had escap'd being the Wife of so base a Man, who, in all Probability, would have used her ill after Marriage.—— All that could be said she heard with Patience, and answer'd with Discretion: But alas! her Heart was too deeply affected with a Passion, which Reason could not remove. This flung her into a Melancholy, which still more encreas'd when she had receiv'd Assurances that the Infidelity of *Florio* was as real as he describ'd it. When the most fatal Consequence had ensued, which was a Fever on her Spirits, she desired me to bring her Pen, Ink and Paper; then sitting up in her Bed, she wrote the following Letter.

'*To* FLORIO.

'SIR,

'FROM your Treatment of me you might expect 'the most severe Reproaches; but as I am in 'that State in which all *Christians* are to *forgive* their 'most bitter Enemies, I, from my Soul, *forgive* you; 'and hope Heaven also will *forgive* you the Death of

'CYNTHIA.

Then holding out the Paper to me, she said, *Dear Harriet, when I am dead, for I find I have not long to live, send that to* Florio; *'tis to forgive him*; *and I wish him happier than (I doubt) he deserves.*——She surviv'd not this many Hours, but expir'd in her Brother's Arms.

Thus fell the unhappy *Cynthia* a Victim to *Man's Avarice* and *Infidelity*: Thus became *Florio* a worse kind of *Murderer* than a *Ruffian* or a *Robber*: Thus he has loaded with Affliction a tender *Parent*; thus broke the Laws of Honour with his *Friend*, and thrown off Civil Society with all Mankind.——Yet this same *Florio*, unaffected, unminded, and unpunish'd, is on the Brink of marrying a Lady, whom I am sure he does not care for, much more love, because she has a great Fortune, and is of a great Family; the first of which he does not want, and the last can be of no Service to him.

But though *Cynthia* forgave him, I envy him, and I do heartily wish, that he may meet with all the Plagues of a *cruel*, *sordid* Matrimony: May his Wife be as *expensive* as she is *beauty*: May she have the *Tongue* and *Spirit* of a *Xantippe*, and Airs of a *Lais*: May they both be mutually *Jealous* of each other; their *Days* without *Quiet*, and their *Nights* without *Joy*: May they both with each other's *Death*, yet both *live* to a good old Age, to plague one another; and then——may *he* break *his* Heart: May,——but hold, I forgot I had said enough——You will excuse this Warmth when you consider I am defending the Cause of my Sex as well as my Friend: May all Men of *Florio's* Principles meet the Fate I have wish'd him: And may all Women take care not to meet the Fate of unhappy *Cynthia*; which is the sincere Prayer of

HARRIET TRUEHEART.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Willnow, Dec. 25. It being neceſſary for the Saxon Troops to poſſeſs themſelves of the Village of Nejepin, about 140 Grenadiers accordingly took Poſſeſſion of it; and Yeſterday two Hungarian Generals, with near 3000 Men, came there, and by a Trumpeter ſummon'd the Captain to ſurrender; who anſwer'd, that he would defend it ſo long as he had a Man left; whereupon Nejepin was inveſted. Then the Hungarian Generals ſent a Trumpeter a ſecond Time to ſummon the Captain; who anſwer'd, that if they ſent a third Trumpeter, he would fire upon him, and diſable him from carrying back an Anſwer. Upon that, the Hungarians began the Attack, and ſet fire to the Village. The Captain retir'd with his Men into a Farm, where he defended himſelf with great Conduct and Bravery during two Hours. At laſt General Birckholtz and General Rochau, with a Detachment under their Command, came to his Aſſiſtance; which the Hungarians perceiving, retir'd into a Wood. But two Saxons were kill'd, three wounded, and two taken Priſoners. Twelve or thirteen Hungarians were killed, one taken, and our Troops having purſu'd them as far as Choittebroz, took ſeveral Carriages loaded with wounded Men.

Stockholm, Dec. 26. It is reported that Captain Diederon, who is come back to Finland from Peterſbourg, is charg'd with ſome Propoſals for an Accommodation from the new Empreſs of Ruſſia; but of this we cannot be certain 'till he arrives here. Frequent Conferences are held at Court, and we are aſſur'd that a Reſolution has been taken to continue the new Levies with all poſſible Diligence, that we may be able to aſſemble ſeveral Armies in the Spring in Caſe of Need. It is alſo given out that Orders have been ſent to General Lewenhaupt, who is now within a ſmall Diſtance of Wybourg, to proceed on his March and execute the intended Operations.

Milan, Dec. 27. Along with the King of Sardinia's Manifeſto, ſetting forth his Claims to this Dutchy, we receiv'd Advice that his Sardinian Majeſty was preparing to join his Army, in order take Poſſeſſion of this City in Perſon, and get himſelf proclaim'd Duke of Milan. Count Traun has ſent a Courier to Vienna to inform the Court of all this, and aſſure them that the Caſtle of this City, and ſuch other Places as are able to make Reſiſtance, will hold out to the laſt Extremity. In the mean time the Marqueſs Ferdinand Bartholomei, Miniſter from the Queen of Hungary and the Great Duke of Saxony, arriv'd here, having been diſpatch'd from Vienna upon the firſt Advices of the King of Sardinia's Deſigns; his Excellency proceeded immediately to Turin; but as Matters have been puſh'd to ſuch Extremities, we dare not flatter ourſelves that he will ſucceed in his Commiſſion. Count Traun has reinforced the Garriſon of the Citadel with the Troops and Militia that were in the City. As to the Inhabitants, one of their Privileges is, that as ſoon as the Enemy paſſes the Teſſin, they are oblig'd to ſubmit and acknowledge him for their Maſter, if there is no Army to make head againſt him. We have a Confirmation that the Duke of Modena is fortifying in all haſte the Town of Mirandola, and has order'd part of his Troops to march to that Side.

Letters of the 25th paſt from Manheim ſay, they had a Report there too, that after the Veldt-Marſhal de Neuperg had found Means to cut off the Communication between the Troops of Pruſſia and Saxony, and thoſe of France and Bavaria, a bloody Engagement enſued, to the Diſadvantage of the Allies; and that 'twas given out that the Veldt-Marſhal de Khevenhuller had penetrated with his Army within two Leagues of Munich.

SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, Dec. 31. This Morning died Sir Alexander Murray, of Blackbarony, Bart. Repreſentative of an honourable and antient Family in the Shire of Tweedale, to which many of the great Families in Scotland are related. He was a Perſon of great Honour, and untainted Probity, and in the Courſe of his Life maintained the Dignity of his Family; he was aged 79, and died without Iſſue; his Succeſſor in his Honours is William Murray of Spittlehaugh, his Couſin German, as being his next Heir Male, and his Heir at Law in his Eſtate is Mrs. Margaret Murray, Spouſe to John Stewart of Aſcog, the Defunct's Niece.

LONDON.

On Monday laſt Notices were iſſued out at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, to all Peers and Peereſſes, that the Court changes their Mourning on Sunday next, on account of the Death of the Queen of Sweden; the Men to continue in Black, and to wear colour'd Swords and Buckles; the Ladies to wear Black Silk or Velvet, colour'd Ribands or Tippets.

Thurſday an Expreſs arriv'd at his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle's Office from Admiral Haddock.

We hear that the ſaid Admiral fell in with the Spaniſh Fleet off Malaga in the Night; and that in the Morning he found himſelf near the Spaniſh and French Fleets; he then form'd a Line of Battle, with an Intent, as is ſuppoſed to attack the former; but the Spaniards, with all poſſible Expedition, join'd the French, and made in the whole 29 Sail of the Line of Battle; upon this Admiral Haddock, who had but 15 Sail, proceeded no farther, and the Fleets parted without firing a Shot; the Engliſh ſteering for Port-Mahon, to prevent a Deſign which, 'tis rumour'd, was form'd againſt that Place.

An Order of Admiralty is ſent down to Deptford to diſpatch, with all poſſible Expedition, the Rigging of the three laſt Men of War, lately launch'd, and for the Maſters to certify, and not fail, a fix'd Time when they can get them ready, they being deſign'd for Sea directly on ſome particular Service.

An Expreſs is gone to the Ports in the Weſt of England, containing Orders to the Commanders of his Majeſty's Ships of War to hold themſelves in Readineſs to put to Sea on the firſt Notice.

Five thouſand Seamen are wanted, we hear, to man the Men of War deſign'd for this Year's Service.

The Merchants Petition, that lies ready to be preſented upon the Meeting of the Parliament, is ſo elegantly drawn up, and in ſo pathetick and lively a manner ſets forth the Hardſhips they have ſuſtained in their Trade and Commerce by the Capture of their Ships, by thoſe contemptible Veſſels the Spaniſh Privateers, pointing out at the ſame time the great Injury to the Wealth of the Nation thereby, that it is juſtly admired, meets with univerſal Approbation, and is already ſign'd by above 400 Gentlemen of the greateſt Concerns in Merchandize in the whole Kingdom.

Tueſday, at a General Meeting of the Electors of the City and Liberty of Weſtminſter, held at the Crown and Anchor Tavern in the Strand, it was agreed *Nem. con.* to preſent Inſtructions to their Members; and a Committee was appointed to draw up the ſame, which was accordingly done, unanimouſly approv'd of, and afterwards preſented by the Burgeſſes and Inhabitants of the ſaid City and Liberty.

So great is the Decay of the Woollen Trade at preſent, that laſt Week there were ſent up from Froom in Somerſetſhire, for Twelfth-Market, that is the next Market-Day after Twelfth-Day, (one of the greateſt in the whole Year) no more than thirty-nine Cloths; whereas, ordinarily, we have had five hundred from thence; and, if we are not miſinform'd, in extraordinary Times, above eight hundred from that Town and Villages adjacent.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Charles Clarke, Eſq; Knight of the Shire in the laſt Parliament for the County of Huntingdon, an eminent Counſellor at Law, to be one of the Judges of the Court of King's-Bench, in the room of Mr. Juſtice Page, deceas'd.

Sir Charles Hardy, Knt. is appointed Commander in Chief of all his Majeſty's Ships of War in the Rivers Thames and Medway, and at the Buoy in the Nore.

John Rutherford, Eſq; Knight of the Shire for Roxborough in Scotland, is appointed Captain of an Independent Company at Jamaica.

The Hon. Charles Compton, Eſq; Brother to the Earl of Northampton, who was Conſul at Liſbon, is appointed Embaſſador to the King of Portugal. And, Abraham Caſtrees, Eſq; who was formerly Conſul in Spain, and ſign'd the late Convention with Benjamin Keene, Eſq; is made Conſul at Liſbon, in the room of Mr. Compton.

A few Days ſince the Rev. Dr. Tovey, Principal of New-Inn Hall in Oxford, was married at Lincoln's-Inn Chapel to Mrs. Tharp, an agreeable Widow Lady with a Fortune of 6000 l.

Laſt Week Charles Penruddock, of Compton-Chamberlain, in the County of Wilts, Eſq; was married to Miſs Fanny Windham, Daughter of William Windham, of Dinton, in the ſame County, Eſq;

Laſt Week died, of a lingering Illneſs, at her Houſe in Cleveland Row, St. James's, the Right Hon. the Lady Sundon, Lady of the Right Hon. the Lord Sundon, one of the Lords of the Treaſury. She was Bed-Chamber-Woman to her late Majeſty, and Siſter to Col. Dives.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight died, after a tedious Illneſs, at his Houſe in Lincoln's-Inn Fields, the moſt noble Peregrine Bertie, Duke of Ancaſter and Kefteven, Marqueſs and Earl of Lindſey, Baron Willoughby of Ereſby, Lord Great Chamberlain of England, Lord Chief Juſtice in Eyre of all his Majeſty's Parks, Chaces, Foreſts, &c. North of Trent, Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Lincoln, and one of the Lords of his Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy-Council, and Fellow of the Royal-Society. His Grace was born the 29th of April 1686; and in the ſeventh Year of Queen Anne was elected one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of Lincoln, and in all Parliaments whilſt he was a Commoner. On the 16th of March, 1714-5, he was ſummon'd by Writ to the Houſe of Peers, by the Title of Lord Willoughby of Ereſby; and ſucceeding his Father in 1723, was, on the 23d of January following, ſworn one of the Privy-Council, and on the 3d of February enſuing, appointed Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Lincoln, in which Poſts, on the 30th of September 1727, he was continued by his preſent Majeſty.—His Grace married Jane, one of the four Daughters and Co-heirs to Sir John Brownlow of Belton, in the County of Lincoln, Bart. by whom he has Iſſue, now living, three Sons and five Daughters, and is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate by his eldeſt Son Peregrine, Marqueſs of Lindſey, who married May 22, 1735, Elizabeth, Daughter and ſole Heir to William Blundell of Baſingſtoke, in the County of Southampton, Eſq; Relict of Sir Charles Gunter-Nichol, Knight of the Bath.

A few Days ago died, at his Seat in Warwickſhire, Andrew Archer, Eſq; (Father of Thomas and Henry Archer, Eſqrs. Members of the late and preſent Parliament): HE was ſix times elected Knight of the Shire for the County of Warwick, and always diſcharged his Truſt with the Courage and Integrity of a TRUE ENGLISHMAN. HE was a hearty Friend to the Conſtitution; zealous for the Liberty of his Country; remarkably juſt and virtuous, and of a Temper ſo humane, ſo generous and ſincere, that he was moſt deſervedly beloved and eſteemed by all that knew him.

Thurſday ſe'nnight died of the Gout in his Stomach, at Shute, his Seat in Devonſhire, much lamented, Sir William Pole, Bart. heretofore Maſter of the Houſhold to her late Majeſty Queen Anne; and is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate (which is a very conſiderable one) by his only Son, now Sir John Pole, Bart. about nine Years old, a very promiſing young Gentleman, of exceeding fine Parts: He has alſo left one Daughter, about thirteen Years old, a very agreeable young Lady, now at School in London.

Laſt Week died at Warden in Bedfordſhire, aged about 70, Henry Longueville, of Coſſgrave in Northamptonſhire, Eſq; deſcended from the antient Family of Longueville's, of Wolverton in Bucks, and dying without Iſſue, (by Dorothy his Wife, Daughter of John King, Eſq; Barriſter at Law) that Branch of the Family which reſided at Coſſgrave, is extinct: He was buried according to his Directions, with his Anceſtors at Coſſgrave.

A few Days ſince died at Norwich, in the 24th Year of her Age, Miſs Sally Barker, Daughter of the late John Barker, of Shropnam in Norfolk, Eſq; She was a beautiful young Lady, and a Fortune of 7000 l. the greateſt Part of which ſhe has left to her youngeſt Brother, the Rev. Mr. James Barker, Fellow of Caius College in Cambridge.

Laſt Week died, at Newcaſtle upon Tyne, in the 72d Year of his Age, Francis Bolton, Eſq; Father to Mr. Sylveſter Bolton, an eminent Wine Merchant of that Place, and formerly one of the Sheriffs for the City of York.

On Saturday laſt died in Liſle-ſtreet, Leiceſter-fields, the Lady Anne Harvey, Relict of Lieutenant General Daniel Harvey, of Mitcham in Surrey. She was the eldeſt Daughter of Ralph late Duke of Mon-

tague, by Lady Elizabeth his Wife, Daughter of Thomas Earl of Southampton, and Widow of Joceline Piercy, the laſt Earl of Northumberland) and eldeſt Siſter to John the preſent Duke. She was born in 1674, and firſt married to Alexander Popham, of Littlecote in Wilts, Eſq; who died in June 1705, leaving Iſſue by her one Daughter Elizabeth, married firſt to Edward Lord Viſc. Hinchingbroke, (Mother of the preſent Earl of Sandwich) and ſecondly to Francis Seymour, Eſq; ſecond Son of the late Sir Edward Seymour, Bart. By her Death Mr. Popham, one of the Knights of the Shire for Wilts, gets a conſiderable Fortune; but what was in her own Diſpoſal, we hear, ſhe has left to Kellond Courtenay, Eſq; who married her Grand Daughter, Siſter of the Earl of Sandwich.

On Saturday Night died ſuddenly in his Chair, at his Houſe near Oxford-Market, the Hon. Col. Foley, of the Horſe-Guards.

On Saturday laſt died at the Bath, Sir Marmaduke Greſham, of Limpsfield in Surrey, Bart. deſcended from the famous Sir Thomas Greſham, Knt. who built the Royal Exchange. Sir Marmaduke married a Daughter of William Hoſkins, of Godſtone in Surrey, Eſq; by whom he has left two Sons and a Daughter; and is ſucceeded in Honour and Eſtate by his eldeſt Son, now Sir Marmaduke Greſham, Bart. a Minor.

On Sunday died at her Houſe in Clifford-Street, Burlington-Gardens, a hundred and four Years of Age, the Lady Skipwith, Relict of the late Sir —— Skipwith, Bart. and Grandmother of the preſent Sir George Skipwith, Bart.

Laſt Sunday died at his Houſe in Chancery-lane, Mr. Nathaniel Wytham, an eminent Solicitor, one of the Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hoſpital, and Steward to his Grace the Duke of Montagu.

Tueſday died at his Houſe in St. James's-Street, Weſtminſter, of a Quincey in his Throat, after fifteen Hours Illneſs, Mr. Davenant, ſen. one of the chief Clerks under the Hon. Thomas Townſhend, Eſq; one of the Tellers of his Majeſty's Exchequer.

Tueſday died in Watling-Street the Lady Murden, Relict of Sir Jeremiah Murden, who died ſome Years ſince in the time of his Shrievalty: She was a Lady truly pious and charitable, and greatly admir'd by all that knew her for her Politeneſs in Converſation.

Tueſday laſt a Man was brought up under a ſtrong Guard from on board an outward-bound Indiaman at Graveſend, and committed to Newgate, for ſtealing a Silver Diſh laſt Week from the Right Hon. the Earl of Fitzwalter's, where he went to ſee a Relation. The Diſh was found conceal'd in his Cheſt, cut into four Pieces, and the Court of Arms eras'd.

Laſt Week a Diſpenſation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. John Billingſley, M. A. Chaplain to the Right Hon. the Lord Montford, to hold the Rectory of Newington in the County of Oxford, in the peculiar Juriſdiction of Canterbury, together with the Rectory of Peely, in the County of Berks and Dioceſe of Sarum.

On Monday a Wager of 100 Guineas was won by an Innkeeper of Belſond near Windſor, who was to ride 120 Miles in 12 Hours, on two Horſes: The Ground he choſe was from Belſond to Hounſlow, (which is three Miles) and back again; and whenever he return'd to Belſond, he took the other Horſe; ſo that each Horſe went ſix Miles, and then was rubb'd down, and had Balls, &c. and the Perſon perform'd it in leſs than Ten.

Tueſday in the Afternoon a Fire broke out at the Bull-Head near Wapping-Dock, and notwithſtanding there was no want of Aſſiſtance, in a ſhort Space of Time wholly conſum'd four Houſes and damaged ſeveral others.

On Saturday Morning laſt, the two Stoves and Storehouſes, belonging to Malden Powder-Mills, which are upon a Stream that runs from Yeovill to Kingſton in Surrey, blew up. A Boy belonging to the Mills having obſerv'd the Fire at the Beginning in the firſt Stove, and inform'd all the Men at the Works, they ſav'd their Lives by a precipitate Flight; ſoon after which it blew up, and in leſs than a Minute the other alſo, they not being above forty Yards aſunder, and in each of them a large Stock of Powder. The Exploſion was ſo great that the Bricks and Tiles of the Stoves are not to be found, but at ſuch a Diſtance as is almoſt incredible; the Windows of the Church, which is 400 Yards from the Place, are intirely ſhatter'd, as are thoſe of the Houſes for a great way round, many of them until'd, and otherwiſe greatly damag'd; one was thrown down by the Shock, in which was a Woman and three Children, but none of them received any Damage; nor do we hear that any Perſon was hurt by this Accident. The Noiſe was heard for twelve Miles round the Place, and ſo plain, that the whole Country was alarm'd, got out of their Beds, lighted up Candles, and diſpatch'd Meſſengers to each other's Houſes to know what had alarm'd them ſo dreadfully, but could receive no ſatisfactory Anſwers, and therefore for ſome time concluded it was an Earthquake.

On Saturday Night laſt Thomas South, Eſq; of Lindhurſt in New-Forreſt, Hants, returning home from a Viſit made to Mr. Barker, of Brochenhurſt, by his Horſe's taking Fright at an Aſs in the Road belonging to ſome Gipties, was thrown off, and had one Leg broke, and his Body in many Places ſo miſerably bruis'd, that 'tis fear'd he will hardly recover.

Laſt Saturday Morning the York Stage Coach was robb'd by two Highwaymen, about two Miles beyond Stilton, there were only a Gentleman and a Lady in the Coach, the Gentleman ſav'd his Watch by dropping it into the Straw.

Wedneſday Samuel Oldbury was committed to Newgate by Col. De Viel, for ſtealing out of the Shew-Glaſs of Mr. Carter, a Goldſmith in Drury-Lane, a great Quantity of Silver Buttons and Studs, found upon him. As was Iſaac Harding to Bridewell, for hawking and ſelling Unſtamp'd Papers.

Thurſday was held a Cabinet Council at St. James's, when Mr. Serjeant Urling, Deputy Recorder of this City, attended and made a Report to his Majeſty of the 16 Malefactors now under Sentence of Death in Newgate: His Majeſty was pleaſed to reprieve for Tranſportation Anne Holland, Mary Page, Heſter Burnham, and William Quaite:

And to order for Execution, James Buquois, Joſeph Allen, Robert Ramſey, John Glew Gulliford, John Newman, William Warner, Samuel Shuffle, Joſeph Laycock, Dominick Fitzgerald, James Welſh, Mary Dutton, and Margaret Watſon.

On the 22d ult. the Bethlehem, a Dutch Eaſt-India Ship bound for Batavia, was caſt away on the Flemiſh Coaſt between Newport and Oſtend, when 70 or 80 Men of the Ship's Company ſav'd themſelves aſhore; but the reſt, to the Number of about 200 were loſt. Two other Ships in her Company, bound for the ſame Place, were alſo a-ground, but they got off again, and 'tis ſuppos'd made for ſome Port of England.

The Dorothy, John Trounce, late Commander, mounted with 16 Guns and 32 Men, is taken by the Spaniards. She ſail'd from Gibraltar November 25, and had Packets from Admiral Haddock for the Admiralty, but on the 6th of December, about 20 Leagues Weſt from England, a Privateer (of what Force is not mention'd) attack'd her, and they continued engag'd for ſome time before the Captain was kill'd, and then the Mate ſtruck to the Spaniards, who carry'd them to St. Sebaſtian's the 11th of December, and on the 13th the Ship's Company was ſent to Priſon.

The Induſtry, Martin, from London for Maryland; and the Joliff's Adventure, Street, from Pool for Carolina, are both taken by a Spaniſh Privateer and carry'd into Bilboa.

A Ship from Virginia for London; and another from the Iſle of Wight with Corn for Ireland, are taken by the Spaniards and carry'd into St. Sebaſtian's.

Extract of a Letter from Liverpool, Jan. 3.

'This Day arriv'd a Ship from Dublin, who brings 'the following Account, That his Majeſty's Ship the 'Superbe, of 60 Guns, Capt. Harvey, arriv'd at Kin'ſale the 25th of laſt Month, being forced in by con'trary Winds: She was diſpatch'd for England 'by Admiral Vernon from Cuba the 4th of Novem'ber, and brought in a rich Carracca Ship, of 400 'Tons, 24 Carriage and 36 Swivel Guns, which ſhe 'took off the Iſland of Bermudas, in Lat. 33, and 'has on board a great Quantity of Money, Cocoa 'Nuts and other Goods, computed at 200,000 l. 'Value: She is call'd the Conſtant, of Teneriff, com'manded by Don Francis Havere Caſtilius. The 'Spaniards fired firſt on the Superbe, taking her to 'be a Merchant Ship; but ſtruck after receiving 'two Broadſides. The Man of War was leaky, ſo 'that the Spaniards were employ'd at her Pumps.

From the London Gazette.

At the Court at St. James's the 31ſt Day of December, 1741. PRESENT,

The King Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

Sheriffs appointed by his Majeſty in Council for the Year enſuing.

Berkſhire,	Henry Lanoy Hunter, Eſq;
Bedfordſhire,	John Lawſon the younger, of Barton, Eſq;
Buckinghamſh.	Charles Savage, of Hitchendon, Eſq;
Cambr. and Huntingdon	Dingley Aſkham, Eſq;
Cheſhire,	Peter Legh, of Calverly, Eſq;
Cumberland,	Henry Fletcher, of Hutton, Eſq;
Devonſhire,	Robert Lucas, of Bampton, Eſq;
Dorſetſhire,	Robert Barber, of Aſhmore, Eſq;
Derbyſhire,	Poſtponed.
Eſſex,	Oſmond Beavoir, of Downham, Eſq;
Glouceſterſhire	Samuel Hawker, of Rodborough, Eſq;
Hertfordſhire,	George Carpenter the younger, of Redborne, Eſq;
Herefordſhire,	Poſtponed.
Kent,	John Maſon, of Eaſt Greenwich, Eſq;
Leiceſterſhire,	John Wright, Eſq;
Lincolnſhire,	Francis Dayrell, Eſq;
Monmouthſhire	Richard Clarke, of the Hill, Eſq;
Northumberl.	Anthony Haacſon, of Fenton, Eſq;
Northamptonſh	Thomas Powys, Eſq;
Norfolk,	John Thurſtone, of Barwick in the Brakes, Eſq;
Nottinghamſh.	William Cartwright, of Sutton, Eſq;
Oxfordſhire,	John Nourſe, Eſq;
Rutlandſhire.	John Brown, Eſq;
Shropſhire,	Revel Moreton, of Sheffnell, Eſq;
Somerſetſhire,	Sir William Pynſent, Bart.
Staffordſhire,	Poſtponed.
Suffolk,	Alexander Bence, Eſq;
Southampton,	Thomas Wyndham, of Yateley, Eſq;
Surrey,	Thomas Bevois, of Bermondſey, Eſq;
Suſſex,	Poſtponed.
Warwickſhire,	Charles Savage, Eſq;
Worceſterſhire,	Nicholas Bennet, Eſq;
Wiltſhire,	William Batt, of Saliſbury, Eſq;
Yorkſhire,	Poſtponed.

SOUTH-WALES.

Brecon,	Anthony Morgan, of Llanelly, Eſq;
Carmarthen,	Poſtponed.
Cardigan,	Poſtponed.
Glamorgan,	Edward Popham, of Merthir Dovan, Eſq;
Pembroke,	Poſtponed.
Radnor,	Thomas Hughes, of Glaſbury, Eſq;

NORTH-WALES.

Angleſea,	Hugh Jones, of Gymmunod, Eſq;
Carnarvon,	Hugh Williams, of Pentir, Eſq;
Denbigh,	John Edwards, of Allt y Celun, Eſq;
Flint,	William Myddelton, of Skiviog, Eſq;
Merioneth,	Robert Griffith, of Plas Tan y bwlch, Eſq;
Montgomery,	Rees Lloyd, of Clochfaen, Eſq;

BANKRUPTS.

Thomas Hatton, of Lombard-Street, London, Lacemaan.

William Smith the younger, of the City of Winchester, in the County of Southampton, Ironmonger and Chapman.

Diſeaſes and Caſualties this Week.

Diſeaſes. Aged 79 Conſumption 132 Convulſion 205 Dropſy 27 Fever 221 Small-Pox 21 Teeth 55

Caſualties. Drown'd 3 Exceſſive Drinking 1 Found dead 5 Kill'd by a Fall down Stairs 1 Kill'd by a Fall out of a Window 1 Overlaid 3 Starv'd 2

Chriſten'd Males 146 Females 128 In all 274
Buried Males 408 Females 485 In all 893
Increas'd in the Burials this Week 191

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